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SUBJECT: U.S. AIDE-MEMOIRE ON MASS MEDIA DRAFT DECLARATION

REF: PARIS 7963

1. DEPT NOTES REFTEL REPORTS M'BOW "SURPRISED AND CONCERNED THAT U.S. HAD PRESENTED HIM WITH AN OFFICIAL AIDE-MEMOIRE CONCERNING TEXT WHICH DOES NOT (OFFICIALLY) EXIST" AND CONCERNED THAT DG MAY HAVE MISINTERPRETED OUR MOTIVES IN SUPPLYING IT. DEPT WOULD APPRECIATE PERMDEL'S REQUEST-ING PROMPTLY A MEETING WITH M'BOW TO CONVEY THE FOLLOWING CONSIDERATIONS:

2. THE AIDE-MEMOIRE WAS OFFERED IN A SPIRIT OF FRIENDLY COOPERATION, IN RESPONSE TO THE DG'S REQUEST OF DEPUTY
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ASSISTANT SECRETARY GEORGE DALLEY FOR DEPT'S FRANK VIEWS ON MASS MEDIA DRAFT DECLARATION;

3. OUR RESPONSE ELABORATED IN THE AIDE-MEMOIRE WAS FAITHFUL TO OUR CONVICTION THAT A CANDID, EXPLICIT AND COMPREHENSIVE STATEMENT OF OUR POSITION ON SO CONTROVERSIAL AN ISSUE WAS THE BEST WAY TO AVOID MISPERCEPTIONS OR MISCAL-

CULATIONS DERIVING FROM INADEQUATE COMMUNICATION.

4. WE ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE VERSION WE REACTED TO WAS UNOFFICIAL BUT ASSUMED THAT IT WAS TO OUR MUTUAL INTEREST THAT DISSENTING VIEWS BEST BE EXPRESSED PRIVATELY BEFORE THE CRYSTALIZATION OF LANGUAGE AND CONCEPTS WAS COMPLETE.

5. WE UNDERSTAND THE DIFFICULTIES THE AIDE-MEMOIRE MAY HAVE PROVOKED WITH THE DG, BUT THAT TO HAVE WITHHELD AN EXPRESSION OF STRONGLY FELT OBJECTIONS UNTIL LATER MIGHT HAVE BEEN A HINDRANCE TO THE DG IN CARRYING OUT HIS MANDATE FROM THE 19TH GC TO SEEK "THE LARGEST POSSIBLE MEASURE OF AGREEMENT" ON A DRAFT TEXT BEFORE PRESENTING IT TO THE GC.

6. THE SECRETARIAT HAS RECEIVED A MORE EXTENSIVE STATEMENT OF OUR POSITION FROM A LEGAL STANDPOINT, INCLUDING SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE WHICH WE

REGARD AS FAITHFUL TO THE STATED PRINCIPLES OF THE DRAFT DECLARATION.

7. PLEASE KEEP DEPT INFORMED ON DG'S REACTION AND FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS ON THIS SUBJECT MATTER. VANCE

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